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REQUEST FOR CORRECTION OF NOTICE OF ACCEPTANCE

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231
Attn.: PCT

Sir:

Applicant requests correction of the *Notice of Acceptance of Application under 35 U.S.C. §371 and 37 CFR §1.494 or 1.495* ("Notice"). Specifically, the date when the last of the 35 U.S.C. §371 requirements was fulfilled is erroneously indicated as August 31, 2001, and should be corrected to **February 16, 2001**, for the reasons explained below.

Pursuant to U.S.C. §371(d), the U.S. basic national filing fee, a translation of the international application, and an executed oath or declaration of the inventor are the requirements which must be met in order to commence the national stage. As the Notification of Missing Requirements dated January 29, 2001 (copy enclosed herewith) shows, the USPTO received U.S. basic national fee and a translation of the international application among others on December 1, 2000.

In response to the Notification of Missing Requirements, Applicant submitted the executed Declaration to the USPTO by express mail on February 16, 2001. The return postcard indicating that one of the enclosures is Declaration for Nonprovisional Application stamped by the USPTO with the date of February 16, of which a copy is also enclosed herewith, shows that the USPTO actually received the executed Declaration on February 16, 2001. Therefore, Applicant believes that the last of the 35 U.S.C. §371 requirements was received on February 16, 2001, rather

than August 31, 2001, and respectfully request that the date be corrected to February 16, 2001.

No fee is believed due for this Amendment. Should any fee be due, please charge the required amount to Pennie & Edmonds LLP Account No. 16-1150.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: December 18, 2001


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NOTICE OF ACCEPTANCE OF APPLICATION UNDER 35 U.S.C 371 AND 37 CFR 1.494 OR 1.495

The applicant is hereby advised that the United States Patent and Trademark Office in its capacity as an Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495), has determined that the above identified international application has met the requirements of 35 U.S.C. 371, and is ACCEPTED for national patentability examination in the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

The United States Application Number assigned to the application is shown above and the relevant dates are:

<u>08/31/2001</u>	<u>08/31/2001</u>
DATE OF RECEIPT OF 35 U.S.C. 371(c)(1), (c)(2) and (c)(4) REQUIREMENTS	DATE OF RECEIPT OF ALL 35 U.S.C. REQUIREMENTS

A Filing Receipt (PTO-103X) will be issued for the present application in due course. **THE DATE APPEARING ON THE FILING RECEIPT AS THE "FILING DATE" IS THE DATE ON WHICH THE LAST OF THE 35 U.S.C. 371 REQUIREMENTS HAS BEEN RECEIVED IN THE OFFICE. THIS DATE IS SHOWN ABOVE.** The filing date of the above identified application is the international filing date of the international application (Article 11(3) and 35 U.S.C. 363). Once the Filing Receipt has been received, send all correspondence to the Group Art Unit designated thereon.

The following items have been received:

- U.S. Basic National Fee
- Copy of IPE Report
- Copy of references cited in ISR
- Copy of the International Application
- Copy of the International Search Report
- Information Disclosure Statements
- Oath or Declaration
- Preliminary Amendments
- Request for Immediate Examination



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NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

1. The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as

- ☐ a Designated Office (37 CFR 1.494),
- ☒ an Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495):
 - ☒ U.S. Basic National Fee.
 - ☒ Copy of the international application in:
 - ☒ a non-English language.
 - ☐ English.
 - ☒ Translation of the international application into English.
 - ☒ Oath or Declaration of inventor(s) for DO/EO/US.
 - ☐ Copy of Article 19 amendments.
 - ☐ Translation of Article 19 amendments into English.
 - ☒ The International Preliminary Examination Report in English and its Annexes, if any.
 - ☐ Translation of Annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report into English.
 - ☒ Preliminary amendment(s) filed 01 DEC. 2000 and _____
 - ☒ Information Disclosure Statement(s) filed 01 DEC. 2000 and _____
 - ☐ Assignment document.
 - ☐ Power of Attorney and/or Change of Address.
 - ☐ Substitute specification filed _____
 - ☐ Verified Statement Claiming Small Entity Status.
 - ☒ Priority Document.
 - ☒ Copy of the International Search Report ☒ and copies of the references cited therein.
 - ☒ Other: 2-306, RO101

2. The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- ☐ a. Translation of the application into English. Note a processing fee will be required if submitted later than the appropriate 20 or 30 months from the priority date.
 - ☐ The current translation is defective for the reasons indicated on the attached Notice of Defective Translation.
- ☐ b. Processing fee for providing the translation of the application and/or the Annexes later than the appropriate 20 or 30 months from the priority date (37 CFR 1.492(f)).
- ☐ c. Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the international application number and international filing date.
 - ☒ The current oath or declaration does not comply with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b) for the reasons indicated on the attached PCT/DO/EO/917.
- ☒ d. Surcharge for providing the oath or declaration later than the appropriate 20 or 30 months from the priority date (37 CFR 1.492(e)).

3. Additional claim fees of \$ _____ as a ☐ large entity ☐ small entity, including any required multiple dependent claim fee, are required. Applicant must submit the additional claim fees or cancel the additional claims for which fees are due. See attached PTO-875.

ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH IN 2(a)-2(d) AND 3 ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN ONE MONTH FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY ☐ 21 OR ☒ 31 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

4. Translation of the Annexes **MUST** be submitted no later than the time period set above or the annexes will be cancelled. Note processing fee will be required if submitted later than 30 months from the priority date.

5. ☐ The Article 19 amendments are cancelled since a translation was not provided by the appropriate 20 (37 CFR 1.494(d)) or 30 (37 CFR 1.495(d)) months from the priority date.

Applicant is reminded that any communication to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above. (37 CFR 1.5)

A copy of this notice MUST be returned with this response.

Enclosed:

- ☒ PCT/DO/EO/917
 - ☐ Notice of Defective Translation
 - ☐ PTO-875
- FORM PCT/DO/EO/905 (December 1997)

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